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A SAO SURPRISE CAME TO MR. JOHN DORIAN YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Learns That His Brother Died in New Orleans Last October of Yellow Fever.

Mr. John J. Dorian yesterday afternoon received the sad intelligence that his only brother, Mr. Hugh Dorian, had died of yellow fever in New Orleans on the 30th of last October.

The deceased was 48 years of age, and a bachelor. He was at a boarding house where the people knew little about him, and when attacked by the disease was unable to give the address of his relatives. No one knew whom to notify when dislocation came.

A relative of Mr. Dorian went down to New Orleans recently to trace him up, and learned of his death last October.

FOR COMPLICITY.

JASPER HORTON, COL. ARRESTED AT BROOKLYN.

He is supposed to be implicated in a cutting affray there last week.

Jasper Horton, colored, was arrested by Marshal Grimes, of Brooklyn, yesterday, and lodged in jail at Metropolis on a charge of complicity in the cutting of Lee Harris at Brooklyn last week.

The man alleged to have done the cutting is known as "Dan," and escaped immediately afterwards.

Harris is improving and will doubtless recover, although at first his injuries were believed to be fatal.

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CONGRESS IMPATIENT OVER THE DELAY.

Is Displeased With the Cautious Policy of the President—They Want Immediate Action Taken.

WOODFORD WILL MEET SAGASTA THIS AFTERNOON.

Spanish Press Thinks This Meeting Will Bring About a Peaceful Solution.

FOUR RESOLUTIONS FOR WAR

Introduced in the Senate Today. Senator Mason Makes a Vigorous Speech Denouncing Waiting Policy.

DECISIVE ACTION EXPECTED TOMORROW.

Predicted That Congress Will Take Action if McKinley Does Not Adopt a Stern Policy.

SPAIN HAS BOUGHT TWO MORE WARSHIPS

Washington, March 29.—It appears today that the president is disposed to shift the responsibility of solving the difficulty with Spain upon the shoulders of congress. His seeming delay is causing great dissatisfaction among the members of congress, and that body may precipitate trouble. The whole subject is apparently left to congress to decide, and in its present temper any radical action would not be at all surprising. It now remains to be seen if the president can control congress and secure the delay that he evidently desires.

Spanish advisers say that Minister Woodford will have a meeting with Premier Sagasta this afternoon for a discussion of Cuban affairs. Spanish papers take a very hopeful view of this meeting, and predict that it will result in a harmonious settlement of the present difficulties, and that war will be averted.

A majority in both houses of congress favors forcible intervention, and that at once. No compromise will be tolerated.

There is a general feeling that if the president does not announce a stern policy tomorrow, that congress itself will take action independent of the president.

In the meantime war preparations are being hurried as fast as ever.

Spain today bought two warships in Italy. An American agent is in Italy also negotiating for war vessels.

Washington, March 29.—This has been a day of tremendous excitement in congress, greater even than yesterday. Four resolutions were introduced in the senate declaring for the independence of Cuba, and for war with Spain. They were introduced by Senators Allen, of Nebraska, Foraker, of Ohio, Rawlins, of Utah, and Frye, of Maine. They were all referred to committees. Senator Mason made a vigorous speech urging an immediate declaration of war and declaring that the waiting policy of the president would ruin the Republic.

Mason was loudly applauded. McKinley's friends state that his policy is as firm as ever, but that he wishes to secure independence of Cuba without a war.

It is predicted that decisive action cannot be delayed longer than tomorrow.

TOMORROW IS THE DAY.

McKinley Will Send the Entire Cuban Question to Congress.

Washington, March 29.—The president has decided to submit the entire Cuban question to congress tomorrow. He will send a message, any will turn over all the correspondence pertaining to the question.

It is said the president has decided on this course in view of the irrevocable revolt against a compromise of any kind.

Leo Fears Riots.

Washington, March 29.—Consul General Leo has cabled the department of state that there is great danger of riots breaking out in Havana. In case of rioting an American warship from Key West will be sent to Havana.

No Armistice.

Washington, March 29.—A wild-eyed statement was circulated yesterday here and in New York to the effect that the Spanish had patched up an armistice with the Cubans on the island, and would settle the contention without further bloodshed. This is a lie out of whole cloth. It is indignantly denied by the Cubans here, and later reports say it has no foundation, nor will any such proposition from Spain ever be considered seriously.

Spain Conciliatory.

Washington, March 29.—The special cabinet meeting which was called yesterday was largely devoted to the reading of the president's message and the late messages from Minister Woodford. Although the details of these dispatches are not made public it is known that they are reassuring in character, and give a basis for the belief that the present strained relations may yet be satisfactorily relieved.

It is undoubtedly true that Spain is willing to make important concessions to the United States, and is willing to go even so far as to agree to withdraw her troops from Cuba on conditions which, if not satisfactory to this government, are more liberal and conciliatory than anything hitherto received, and clearly indicate a purpose to avoid war even if it is to be attained that end she is compelled to make sacrifices never before considered. Notwithstanding these hopeful signs the negotiations have not passed the danger point, nor is it believed that the government will accept any compromise that does not involve prompt cessation of hostilities, even if the question of the future government of Cuba be left to future negotiations.

Congress Armed.

Washington, March 29.—The members of the committee on foreign affairs have served notice that they will not agree to furnishing supplies to Cubans unless the president gives assurances that he will follow this up at once with a declaration of independence or forcible intervention.

The feeling in the house broke loose upon the reading of the report. Yesterday the president seemed but a chip on the ocean of excitement. He will be utterly helpless if he attempts to check the tide which is rising in the two houses.

Representative Sayers, of Texas, who is the majority leader on the appropriations committee, stands pat and refuses to brook delay in settling with Spain. He says:

"I will not vote for an appropriation to furnish food for the suffering Cubans unless it be accompanied by my judgment are such that no such appropriations should be made by congress unless so accompanied in order to put an end to the strife. Unless this be done, the practical effect of any contribution by our government to feed Spanish subjects would be so much substantial aid to Spanish government. Spain could well afford for the United States to support her starving non-combatants, while her soldiers were lighting those revolutionists who were in arms against her authority. This, in my opinion, is the true situation, and the administration should face it and deal with it accordingly."

Orders were given at the navy department to graduate the first class at Annapolis on April 9th, and to graduate the second class a year before it is programmed to finish. The second class has been advised to prepare for its final examinations.

TEN THOUSAND CROATIANS.

Tender Their Service If We Have To Fight Spain.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 29.—Ten thousand Croats living in Allegheny county, through their representatives have proffered their service to President McKinley as volunteers should war be declared between Spain and the United States. Last night fifty ex-officers of the Austrian army held a banquet, during which reports from all parts of the county were made. The result was the formation of the nucleus of an army division, and the forwarding of a letter to President McKinley signed by Z. V. Muniz and G. A. Skirnaic, offering the service of their 10,000 countrymen for active duty in case of war is declared. These men are iron banders and coal and coke workers, and could be put into the field at short notice. The majority of them have been service in the Austrian and Russian armies, and their desire to

BIG TRIP

Brought Up By the Ferryboat From Brooklyn.

The ferryboat Betty Owen today brought up from Brooklyn one of the largest trips she ever had. There were eight loads of hay, sixteen loads of corn, four huckster wagons and about fifty passengers. It was the largest trip of the year.

Fish.

Fresh and salt water fish received daily. Salmou, red snapper, cod, snails, Spanish mackerel, trout, etc. S. H. CLARK, 241mo 125 S. Second St.

Cognoscent's delight—Linnwood Cigar.

Come to their adopted country's aid is house fire.

SPAIN WILL LET GO.

Congressman Evans Does Not Believe There Will Be War.

In a letter received yesterday by a Louisville friend Congressman Evans thus expressed himself on the war situation:

"I am sure that there will be just such a war as you want—one of much talk and enthusiasm, and none of the horrors of disease, privation, hardship and death which make an actual war so fearful to those who have seen the real article."

"At the same time I share the conviction that the conditions in Cuba are such that should make not only us, but the whole civilized world rise up and compel Spain to let go."

"I have no doubt she will let go, and that quite speedily, when we get good and ready."

VIVE GARIBALDI!

Wants To Take Forty Thousand Italians To Cuba For the United States.

Berlin, March 29.—The Rome correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt telegraphed Sunday: "The Marquis Visconti Venosta, the Italian Foreign Minister, says the Cuban situation has grown worse but that, outside of Austria, which morally supports Spain for dynastic reasons, no European Power is inclined to show practical sympathy for Spain."

"Ricciotti Garibaldi says that if the United States will defray their expenses he will engage to send 40,000 Garibaldians to Cuba."

GALLANT KENTUCKY BOYS

Want to Be Ready to Fight in Case of War With Spain.

Frankfort, Ky., March 29.—Applications for permission to organize state militia companies are pouring in here. Eight different Central Kentucky towns want to supply the places of two companies mustered out of the Second regiment. Paris and Maysville seem most likely to be given the places.

NEARLY A MILLION.

This Amount Will Be Expended by the I. C. on Its Tracks Between Fulton and Memphis—Work Begun.

Chief Engineer Wallace Superintending—Mr. Donovan Goes to Louisville—Other Railroad Notes of Interest.

The Illinois Central Railroad company yesterday began the work of reducing grades and straightening curves on the division between Fulton, Ky., and Memphis. The work has begun at Ripley, Tenn., and will be carried on both north and south of the point. The improvement is a very important one, and will involve an outlay of nearly a million dollars. The work begun yesterday will not be finished for two years. It is the intention of the Illinois Central to make its lines in the South, and particularly the old tracks of the Chesapeake, Ohio and Southwestern, equal in every respect to the tracks of this system in Illinois. John Doherty, one of the assistant engineers of the company, has gone to Ripley with a large force of men, and will have charge of the work, plans for which were made by Chief Engineer Wallace some time ago.

Mr. John T. Donovan, who becomes general agent of the Illinois Central Friday, left last night for Louisville.

No. 203, the "cannon ball" from Louisville, was an hour and twenty-five minutes late again today.

Superintendent of Machinery W. Renshaw came up this morning from Fulton, and left this afternoon for Memphis. He made an inspection of the shops while here.

The Union depot is today undergoing a siege of spring cleaning.

SKIN GAME.

HOW LEE RUST WAS BUNCOED BY TWO SPORTS.

They Got About \$55 of His Money By Throwing Poker Dice.

Charlie Slaughter was tried for gaming in Justice Winchester's court yesterday afternoon and fined \$50 and costs. Harry Allen, who has charge of the Log Cabin saloon, was held over to the circuit court on a charge of suffering gaming, and executed bond in the sum of \$500.

The evidence showed that a confidence game had been worked in great fashion on J. L. Rust, of the county. Rust met Chas. Slaughter, according to the evidence, and Slaughter pointed out to him Ernest Elmandorff whom he said had just sold a grocery in Ohio, and had several hundred dollars in his pocket.

"I understand you are a pretty slick fellow," Slaughter said, and I think we can win it off of him. I just won a dollar of him at the bar. He won't play any more, though unless there are three in the game."

He then arranged it with Rust to go up and win all the money Elmandorff had. He told Rust he didn't want him (Rust) to spend a cent, but simply wanted him to make up the necessary number to have a game.

He slipped a dollar into his hand, and about this time Elmandorff came up. Slaughter agreed to divide up with Rust.

To make a long story short, they went up over the Log Cabin saloon and began shooting craps with poker dice on the bar. Slaughter won everything. Rust spent the dollar Slaughter gave him, and lost other money Slaughter occasionally gave him. Then Elmandorff began to kick and claim Slaughter and Rust were working a skin game on him. Rust then began playing his own money, and lost \$4. He then turned to a friend named Edwards, who accompanied him, and borrowed \$5. He lost that. He kept borrowing until he lost \$33 of Edwards' money. There was then \$8 in the pot. Allen here put in his appearance and said the game must stop, as it was time to close up.

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WANTED IN BROOKLYN FOR ALLEGED GRAND LARCENY.

He Is Charged With Stealing a Watch From Mr. B. Benders Last Friday.

Marshal Grimes, of Brooklyn, was in the city today in search of Porter Boyd, a well known Paducah character, who is alleged to have stolen a gold watch belonging to Mr. B. Benders, of Brooklyn.

The watch was taken Friday from Mr. Benders' vest pocket, his vest being on a table.

A son of Mr. Benders' son accompanied the marshal.

Boyd is supposed to have come to the city.

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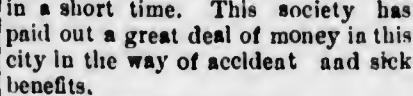
Messrs. Arthur E. Miller and Francis R. Stewart, who control the American tour of the great English drama, "Brother for Brother," which comes to the opera house Thursday night, certainly deserve great credit for the admirable company they have secured to present the play. Miss Maude Granger, Mr. Sheridan Block and Mr. Lloyd Bingham, who head the list, are well known and admired for their sterling ability. The rest of the supporting company includes Messrs. E. T. Stetson, L. R. Willard, John E. Hines, Frederick Delmont, Geo. H. Marlowe, Misses Margaret Raven, Kathryn Weston, Elizabeth Hunt, Mabel Arthur and others. The company will no doubt be greeted by a large audience Thursday night.

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Friday, - - April 1

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Showing all the latest importations in fine pattern hats and bonnets for ladies, misses and children.



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We will give you more style, service and satisfaction for your money than you are accustomed to.

Fashion has said small checks are the proper thing; we have them. Thirty-six-inch blue, green and black wool filling checks for 25c. Thirty-eight-inch blue, black, brown and green changeable checks, the most stylish effects for misses' and children's dresses, 39c yard. Forty-eight inch strictly all-wool checks, g'ens and blacks, at 45c.

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Opening Sale Organdies

First mentioned because our line of these beautiful goods will surpass anything ever placed before the Paducah public. Foreign designed organdies sold every where for 25c in our opening sale for 15c yard. Fine French organdies in newest patterns 25c yard.

Opening Sale Silks

Fifteen pieces all new styles, fringed and striped wash silks, opening price 35c yard. Twenty different choice styles, light and dark colored India silks at 50c yard. Handsome black satins for stylish shirt waists at 69c and 89c a yard.

Opening Sale of Shirt Waists.

50c Buys pretty, well-made muslin waists, with detachable collar—regular dollar value. 75c Buys the choice of 300 stylish percale waists, many with the new bias front, all pretty. 98c Buys any of these dimity, percale and muslin shirt waists, made to sell for \$1.50.

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"It is what the product of man's labor may buy of the comforts of life that interests him; not how many shillings, or pesos, or rupees, or dollars it will bring. Now, when by a long course of experience all things have become normally and fairly related to each other through a common medium of measure, it is a most serious or disturbing thing to suddenly displace that common medium and adopt another of a different value, to which all labor and labor-products must become newly related."—From Secretary Gage's Cleveland speech.

The wicked Western farmers are responsible for the recent increase in the gold circulation. The increased activity in the West due to their prosperity, resulted recently in extraordinary demands upon New York for currency and a rapid movement from that city toward the West. As a consequence there was an increase in demand for currency in that business center which resulted in calling in from Europe some of the gold due from the large exports which have been made during the past few months, but which had been held in the form of bills drawn against the shipments of corn and other commodities, and which are now being ex-

changed for gold, which is thus added to the circulating medium of the country.

"It is asserted that the Populists and Silver Republicans are about to break with the Democrats on account of a discovery that the latter are not willing to 'vote fair' with them. It was announced some time ago that an agreement had been reached between the three silver parties that neither would try to take from the other seats held by it in the present congress, and that in the contest for the next congress local conditions should determine which party was entitled to the candidate in districts not now held by either of the silver parties, and that the national organizations should not sanction the presence of two silver candidates in the field. The information is that the Democrats are charged by their allies with trying to hog-pouge game at the very outset, aiming to get from the Silver Republicans and Populists as many as possible of the seats now held by those two parties in the House and Senate. It is asserted that if this has not already led to a dissolution of the alliance, it is sure to do so."—Washington (D. C.) Star.

PEACE WITH HONOR.

Should President McKinley succeed in his desire of securing Cuban independence and at the same time averting war between this country and Spain, it will be the grandest victory that humanity has ever won, and one that will be a lasting honor to the great American Republic. Those who desire war with Spain forget that a war, even of the shortest duration, would fill this country with darkened homes; that, perhaps, many thousands of brave American citizens would be sacrificed in the terrible combat. Those who would go down to watery graves, or would find their last resting place on the Island of Cuba, would not be the warlike newspaper editors and correspondents who call McKinley a "coward" or "weak-kneed," but would be the flower of American manhood; men who for the sake of



WILLIAM EWART GLADSTONE.

The great English statesman, philanthropist and scholar, whose death is daily expected.

duty would face the cannon's mouth with unflinching step.

Cuba must be free! The terrible acts of fiendish barbarity that have made her beautiful valleys scenes of desolation, and her cities and towns cemeteries for women and children and helpless men, must cease. We believe that the day of deliverance is at hand. The destruction of the Maine and her brave seamen must be atoned for. This will in due time be done.

War, however, if possible, should be avoided between this nation and Spain. To avert such a war is just as much an act of humanity as to intervene in behalf of the Cubans. The honor of the United States must be preserved. War is preferable to dishonor. President McKinley's desire comprehends the loftiest patriotism, the preservation of the sanctity of the Old Flag, the freedom of Cuba, and the averting of a Spanish-American war, if possible, and consistent with his duty to America, humanity and his God.

COMING SOUTH.

The Six has often called the attention of the people of this city to the splendid results to be attained by using organized methods to secure additional factories. New mills are being started in the South every day and Paducah ought to get her share. The New York Mail and Express reported that one day last week there arrived in New York City by the Fall river steamer five families, on their way to Charleston for transfer to other cotton mill points in South Carolina. These people declared that others are to follow shortly, as a result of Southern advertisements in Eastern papers. In addition, on Saturday a dispatch from Rome, Ga., reported that five new mills are in course of erection near that city, the

total capacity of which will be 30,000 spindles, with a main production of common prints and sheeting for oriental markets. New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburg papers have observed these movements and correctly hold that the sooner the New England cotton mill capitalists seek and find investment in the South, the better for that capital.

NEWS NOTES.

Representative Sinkins, of Massachusetts, died Sunday at Washington of heart failure.

A rich find in the Klondike has caused one of the biggest stampedes ever witnessed.

Archbishop Kain has issued a new and very strict order regarding the marriage of Catholics and Protestants.

Gen. Edward Serrell hopes to have the government accept his patented device for destroying the enemies' ships that venture too near our shore.

Russia now has control of Port Arthur and Ta-Lien-Wan.

The Austro-Hungarian government is negotiating for the sale of another war vessel to Spain.

The defenses and forts at Manila, Philippine Islands, have been strengthened against possible sudden sea attack.

A great patriotic movement was started at Madrid when President McKinley's message was received. They will raise a fund to purchase more warships.

Senator Deboe entertains the opinion that this week will be peaceful in congress.

Benton will vote on the local option question May 4.

The Langford-Huntly feud has renewed at Orlando, Rockcastle county.

Senator Gochel and his followers are planning to capture the democratic congressional convention this fall and secure an endorsement of the force bill and other rabid measures of the late legislature.

Society Notes.

There have been quite a few marriages among the young society people during the past twelve months, and it seems that by this time all our pretty girls should be married, but this is not true; for some of the most beloved and popular ones have not as yet met the man "of their heart," although they may have met several "after their heart."

Most of our weddings have been a surprise—being kept a secret until almost time for the ceremony to be performed.

Today I heard of a wedding, which, though it is a profound secret between the two families and her best friend, his best friend and me and not surprise me a great deal. All I can tell you is that she is one of our prettiest girls and lives on Seventh street, and just lots of the boys will feel dreadfully bad when they find out that they are "not in it" at all and that she is some time in the near future going to marry a young "Dr." from Tennessee. But though they may feel awfully cut up over it and the girls be very jealous of her yet one and all wish them the happiest married life imaginable and the public in general will extend its heartiest congratulations when the names are made public.

Miss Mike Hansbro has been quite ill for several days, but is much improved today.

Miss Martha Leech is not home after a very pleasant visit to St. Louis with her sister, Mrs. T. C. Leech.

Little Miss Gertrude Pinkerton has been ill for some time, being confined to the house with malaria fever.

The wedding of Miss Ida Augusta Niehaus and Mr. Walter Smith will take place at the bride's home on Jefferson street tomorrow. After their return from an extended bridal trip they will be at home on North Eighth to their host of friends who, with the Six, offer their heartfelt congratulations.

Mr. Wallace Well is suffering from a severe cold and though not confined to the house is quite sick.

The friends of Mrs. Perkins will be sorry to learn that she has been quite sick at her daughter's, Mrs. Orme's, on North Fifth street.

The Court Street Literary club held a delightful meeting with Mrs. Jackson Saturday afternoon.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Text of the Important Document Sent to Congress Yesterday With the Inquiry Report.

A Resume of the Findings of the Court, But With No Recommendations From the President.

Washington, March 29.—The president sent the following message to congress yesterday:

To the Congress of the United States: For some time prior to the visit of the Maine to Havana harbor our consular representatives pointed out the advantages to flow from the visit of national ships to the Cuban waters, in accustoming the people to the presence of our flag as the symbol of good will and of our ships in the fulfillment of the mission of protection to American interests, even though no immediate need therefor might exist.

Accordingly, on the 24th of January last, after conference with the Spanish minister, in which the results of visits of our war vessels to Spanish waters was discussed and accepted, the peninsula authorities at Madrid and Havana were advised of the purpose of this government to resume friendly naval visits at Cuban ports, and that in that view the Maine would forthwith call at the port of Havana.

The announcement was received by the Spanish government with appreciation of the friendly character of the visit of the Maine, and with notification of intention to return the courtesy by sending Spanish ships to the principal ports of the United States. Meanwhile the Maine entered the port of Havana on the 25th of January, her arrival being marked with no special incident, besides the exchange of customary salutes and ceremonial visits.

The Maine continued in the harbor of Havana during the three weeks following her arrival. No appreciable excitement attended her stay; on the contrary, a feeling of relief and confidence followed the resumption of the long interrupted, friendly intercourse. So noticeable was this immediate effect of her visit that the consul general strongly urged that the presence of our ships in Cuban waters should be kept up by retaining the Maine at Havana, or, in the event of her recall, by sending another vessel there to take her place.

At 9:40 o'clock in the evening of February 15 the Maine was destroyed by an explosion, by which the entire forward part of the ship was utterly wrecked. In this catastrophe two officers and 264 of her crew perished. Those who were not killed outright by her explosion were panned between decks by the tangle of wreckage and drowned by the immediate sinking of the hull. Prompt assistance was rendered by the neighboring vessels anchored in the harbor, aid being especially given by the boats of the Spanish cruiser Alfonso XII, and the Ward Line steamer City of Washington, which lay not far distant. The wounded were generously cared for by the authorities of Havana, the hospital being freely opened to them, while the earliest recovered bodies of the dead were interred by the municipality in a public cemetery in the city. Tributes of grief and sympathy were offered from all official quarters of the island.

The appalling calamity fell upon the people of our country with crushing force, and for a brief time an intense excitement prevailed, which in a community less just and self-controlled than ours, might have led to hasty acts of blind resentment. This spirit, however, soon gave way to the calmer processes of reason and to the resolve to investigate the facts and await material proof before forming a judgment as to the cause, the responsibility, and if the facts warranted the remedy due. This course necessarily recommended itself from the outset to the executive, for only in the light of a dispassionately ascertained certainty could it determine the nature and measure of its full duty in the matter.

The usual procedure was followed, as in all cases of casualty or disaster to national vessels of any maritime state. A naval court of inquiry was at once organized, composed of officers well qualified by rank and practical experience to discharge the onerous duty imposed upon them.

The evidence of the divers establishes that the afterpart of the ship was practically intact, and sank in that condition a very few minutes after the explosion. The forward part was completely demolished.

Upon the evidence of a concurrent external cause the finding of the court is as follows: "At frame 17 the outer shell of the ship, from a point eleven and one-half feet from the middle line of the ship and six feet above the keel when in its normal position, has been forced up so as to be now about four feet above the surface of the water; therefore, about thirty-four feet above where it would be had the ship sunk unhurt."

The outside bottom plating is bent into a v-shape, the after-wing of which, about fifteen feet broad and thirty-two feet long (from frame 17 to frame 25), is doubled back upon itself against the continuation of the same plating extending forward.

At frame 18 the vertical keel is broken in two and the angle formed by the outside bottom plating, the break is now about six feet below the surface of the water and about thirty feet above its normal position.

In the opinion of the court this effect could have been produced only by the explosion of a mine situated under the bottom of the ship at about frame 18 and somewhat on the port side of the ship.

The conclusions of the court are: That the loss of the Maine was not due in any respect to negligence on the part of any of the officers or members of the crew.

That she was destroyed by the explosion of a submarine mine, which caused the partial explosion of two or more of her forward magazines, and that no evidence has been obtainable fixing the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine upon any person or persons.

I have directed that the finding of the court of inquiry and the views of the government thereon be communicated to the government of Her Majesty, the Queen, and I do not permit myself to doubt that the sense of justice of the Spanish nation will dictate a course of action suggested by honor and the friendly relations of the two governments.

It will be the duty of the executive to advise the congress of the result, and in the meantime deliberate consideration is invoked.

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The finding of the court of inquiry was reached after twenty-three days of continuous labor. On March 25th, and having been approved on the 22d by the commander-in-chief of the United States naval force on the North Atlantic station, was transmitted to the executive.

It is herewith laid before the congress, together with the voluminous testimony taken before the court. Its purport, in brief, is as follows: When the Maine arrived at Havana she was conducted by the regular government pilot to buoy No. 3, to which she was moored in from five and one-half to six fathoms of water.

The state of discipline on board and the condition of her magazines, boilers, coal bunkers and storage compartments are passed in review, with the conclusion that excellent order prevailed, and that no indication of any cause for an internal explosion existed in any quarter.

At 8 o'clock in the evening of February 15th, everything had been reported secure and all was quiet.

At forty minutes past 9 o'clock the vessel was suddenly destroyed. There were two distinct explosions, with a brief interval between them. The first lifted the forward part of the ship very perceptibly, the second, which was more open, prolonged and of greater volume, is attributed by the court to the partial explosion of two or more of the forward magazines.

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